tional Highways passing through Haryana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Improvement of National Highways is a continuing process. The Annual Plan 1991-92, provides for sanction of new schemes costing Rs. 234.65 crores for improvement and modernisation of National Highways in Haryana.

The important on-going and new schemes individually costing over Rs. 2 crores are the following:

I. On-going schemes (as on 1.3.92)

1. Widening to 4-lanes Km. 50.0 to 130.0 of N.H. 1.
2. Widening to 4-lanes km. 37.5 to 93.63 of N.H. 2.
3. Strengthening existing 2-lanes in km. 134 to 169 of N.H. 10.
4. Strengthening existing 2-lanes in km. 74 to 107.18 of N.H. 8.

II. New schemes in Annual Plan 1991-92:

1. Widening to 4-lanes km. 132.675 to 212.61 of N.H. 1.
2. Widening to 4-lanes km. 36 to 74 of N.H. 8.
3. Widening to 4-lanes km. 35 to 70 of N.H. 10.
4. Strengthening 2-lanes in km. 106 to 134 of N.H. 10.
5. Strengthening 2-lanes in km. 5.23 to 11 and 41 to 62 of N.H. 22.
6. Strengthening 2-lanes in km. 170 to 200 of N.H. 10.
7. Road over Bridge at km. 315 near Dabwali on N.H. 10.

*108. [*Transferred to the 12th March, 1992*].

Construction of a Rest House for Attendants of Patients in AIIMS

*109. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:
SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the work on building a rest house for attendants to patients in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi has commenced;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when the work is likely to be undertaken

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) to (d) In order to provide for both outstation patients and their attendants the facilities for staying on the campus, it is proposed to construct a rest house having accommodation for 500 persons. The Rotary International has proposed to donate this building and their proposal is under active consideration. Construction of this building is likely to be taken up in 1992-93.

Clearance to Auraiya Gas Cracker Project

*110. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that formalities like foreign exchange loan, Technical Collaboration and supply of equipments for Auraiya Gas Cracker project could not be completed for want of clearance by Government;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in clearance;

(c) by when the same is likely to be given; and

(d) the funds, if any, allocated/released for the projects during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (d) GAIL's proposal to set up a petro-chemical complex at Auraiya in Uttar Pradesh was given first stage approval in 1989. The detailed Feasibility Report submitted by GAIL is being processed for Government approval.

Allotment of L.P.G. Agencies

*111. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have completed the review of LPG agencies allotted to the applicants who were selected by the Oil Selection Board in 1989-90 and 1991;

(b) if so, whether the dealerships have started functioning; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Oil Marketing Companies have since been advised to take necessary action.

Sick oil wells

*112. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that neraly 600 oil wells in Gujarat, 61 in Bombay High North, 43 in Bombay High South and 14 oil wells in Heera oil field have become sick;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken to revive these sick wells?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) As on 1-1-92 the number of sick/idle wells is 244 in Gujarat, 49 in Bombay High and nil in Heera. This is on account of various reasons such as high gas-oil ratios, changes in water cut etc. ONGC undertakes workover operations on a regular basis.

Health hazards due to pollution by Dhrangdhra Chemical Works, Gujarat

*113. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that local population and military personnel are facing health hazards due to pollution caused by Dhrangdhra Chemical works in Surendra Nagar District in Gujarat;

(b) whether Government have provided any financial assistance for raising the height of the Chimney and updating other equipment to prevent pollution from Dhrangdhra Chemical Works;

(c) whether it is a fact that the improved Chimney and other equipment are not being operated; and

(d) if so, the steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (c) As per information available, Dhrangdhra Chemical Works has provided adequate pollution control equipment facilities to control equipment facilities to control emission and effluents from their unit. It is also reported that steps have been initiated to replace parts of the system to eliminate use of furnace oil.

(b) Financial assistance has not been provided by the Government.

(d) Does not arise.